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GP Cellulose presents check to Glynn County Fire Department

GLYNN COUNTY, Ga. – GP Cellulose presented a check to the Glynn County Fire Department in the amount of \$8,000 to help purchase ten multi-gas detectors. The gas detectors are life saving devices that alert firefighting crews of the presence of dangerous contaminants in the air. These devices are able to detect six different gases: H₂S – Hydrogen, Sulfide, HCN – Hydrogen Cyanide, O₂ – Oxygen, CO – Carbon Monoxide, SO₂ – Sulfur Dioxide, and Combustible Gases. Detection of these gases will allow firefighters to determine if the air is safe to breathe and if there are combustible gases present in the air.

Randal Morris, Sr. Manager for Public Affairs and Communications for Georgia Pacific, presented the check to Chairman Bill Brunson of the Glynn County Board of Commissioners. “We take our operations in local communities very seriously, and we feel like we should have to earn the right to operate. Part of earning that right is being a community partner. As such, we are happy to support the Glynn County Fire Department by providing safety equipment that will alert them to dangerous and combustible gases in the air so that they will be able to take the proper type of precautions when responding to incidents in the field,” said Morris.

Chairman Brunson echoed Morris’ remarks by saying, “We appreciate GP Cellulose as not only an employer, but a community partner. You are an incredible asset to our community, and we

appreciate your generosity with this grant that will help keep our firefighters safe when they respond to calls throughout our community.”

Gas detectors are essential and life-saving tools in fire and hazmat scenarios because there are so many different types of gases that are in use every day that are not detectable by the human nose. The multi gas detector will allow firefighters ascertain what type of gas is present in the air, but also where a leak is coming from. This information will allow firefighters more accurately assess the situation and respond promptly. Being able to ascertain immediate danger is key in protecting the lives of our firefighters.

The Glynn County Fire Dept. is responsible for protecting critical infrastructure: 3 airports, arterial Interstate 95, 4 US highways (US 17, US 25, US 341 and US 82), 2 Class I railroads, several bridges, and 8 motor freight terminals, public water and sewer system, power transmission and telecommunications infrastructure, and a major natural gas transmission line. Over a half dozen office and industrial business parks and chemical facilities such as the Georgia Pacific- Brunswick Cellulose, Sterling Lumber Mill and the Pinova wood resin production plant. Additionally, the Glynn County Fire Dept. helps protect the Georgia Ports Authority 3 terminals at the Port of Brunswick, and Colonel’s Island Marine Port which rank among the largest auto facilities and deepest agri-bulk operations in the nation.



Left to Right: Randal Morris (Sr. Manager for Public Affairs and Communications, GP Cellulose), Mike Carver (Fire Chief, GP Cellulose), Bill Brunson (Chairman, Glynn County Board of Commissioners), Monica Hardin (Grants Coordinator, Glynn County), Neal Mann (Deputy Fire Chief, Glynn County), John Perks (Safety Leader, GP Cellulose)

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